

Automated Commercial Environment—Requirements Recommendation

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Requirement

ACH Refund – Process that will electronically deposit refunds due from US Customs to an importers financial institution.

Business Need

Provide a more effective and efficient refund payment process to reduce associated costs to Trade and U.S. Customs.

Technical Need

The system should:

- 1) allow the importer to direct refunds to separate financial institutions based one or multiple criteria such as type of refund (Entry, Drawback, etc.), Entry Number, Importer Number, etc.
- 2) Provide Transaction Level Detail
- 3) provide e-mail notification of refunds to importer
- 4) provide capability for importer to download refund explanatory data

Benefits

Significant government cost reduction due to elimination of hard copy checks and postage. Significant benefits to trade due to reduced float time and less manual processing of paper.

Risks

None

Related Subcommittees

Priority: **Critical** ☒ **High** ☐ **Medium** ☐ **Low** ☐

Customs Use Only

Approved ☐

Not Approved ☐

Further Evaluation Required ☐